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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
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Inventor: Dimitri SAEY  
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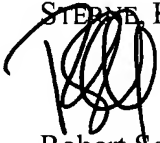
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2. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;
3. SIX (6) sheets of formal drawings containing Figures 1-6;
4. Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b);
5. Power Of Attorney From Assignee; and
6. One (1) return postcard.

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